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S E C R E T KUWAIT 3095

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: REFUELING US NAVY INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENT

REF: (A) CINCPACFLT 042353Z JUNE 77 (NOTAL),
(B) COMSC 221706Z DEC 76 (NOTAL),
(C) KUWAIT 542 (291322Z JAN 77) (NOTAL)

1. REF (A) INFORMED EMBASSY THAT PROJECTED SCHEDULE OF USN
INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENTS FOR FIRST QUARTER FY 78 INCLUDES
PLAN TO RESUPPLY DEPLOYED OILER CARGOES BY "SHUTTLE OF TAO
TO KUWAIT/BAHRAIN FOR JP-5/DFM FUEL LIFTS." REF (A) ALSO
INQUIRED ABOUT "ANY SPECIAL PROCEDURES REQUIRED OR
PROBLEMS ANTICIPATED IN OBTAINING CLEARANCES FOR USNS TAO
TO VISIT KUWAIT AND BAHRAIN DURING FIRST QTR FY-78 FOR FUEL
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LIFTS UNDER DFSC CONTRACTS."

2. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT THE NAVAL COURTESY,
NAVIGATIONAL, SAFETY AND OTHER TECHNICAL PROCEDURES
DEVELOPED BY COMSC FOR ROUTINE LIFTS OF KUWAITI JP-5 BY
USNS SHIPS APPLY AS WELL TO THE LIFTS PLANNED IN
CONNECTION WITH FY-78 INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENT. EMBASSY NOTES,

HOWEVER, THAT ONLY CERTAIN NAMED USNS VESSELS NOW HAVE CLEARANCE TO VISIT KUWAIT FOR THIS PURPOSE (REFS (B) AND (C) APPLY.) IF OTHER VESSELS ARE TO BE USED, THEREFORE, OR IF ANY LIFTS ARE TO BE MADE AFTER THE END OF CY 1977, CINCPACFLT OR OTHER USN COMMAND SHOULD INFORM EMBASSY OF NEED FOR VESSEL DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE REQUEST, PROVIDING NORMAL DATA NECESSARY FOR SUCH REQUEST.

3. DUE TO POSSIBLE BILATERAL AND REGIONAL POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING KUWAITI PERCEPTIONS OF USN INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENTS, EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BE PROVIDED TO IT AND TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE:

A. WHETHER SIMILAR SHUTTLE OPERATIONS TO SUPPLY INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENTS HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN IN THE PAST FROM KUWAIT OR OTHER PERSIAN GULF COUNTRIES. IF SO, WHEN AND FROM WHERE.

B. WHETHER THE FACT OF THE SHUTTLE IS TO REMAIN CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.

C. WHETHER SOVIET DEPLOYMENTS TO INDIAN OCEAN ALSO RELY ON SIMILAR SHUTTLE REFUELING FROM KUWAIT OR OTHER PERSIAN GULF COUNTRIES.
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